

# Saint Mary Magdalen



**THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**MAY 6, 2018**

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

### Weekend Liturgies:

Saturday: 4:30pm • Sunday: 9 & 11am

**Weekday Liturgies:** Mon., Thurs., Fri.: 9am • Wednesday: 7pm

**Sacrament of Penance:** Saturday: 11:30am–12noon

**Infant Baptism:** Call Erin Wolfe.

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Please contact the office at least nine months prior to wedding date.



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## ALL THINGS CONSIDERED

**FIRST EUCHARIST** I would like to congratulate the families of the 59 young people from our parish who celebrated First Eucharist this weekend. It is an important milestone in the lives of both the child and his/her parents. For the child, it marks the first of many times they will join themselves to the Lord in a communion in the Love of Christ.

It is also an important moment in the lives of their parents. On the day their child was Baptized, these parents promised to raise their child in the practice of the faith. Bringing their child to the altar this weekend is an important part of the fulfillment of that promise made 7 or 8 years ago. Even the white dresses or the white suits are reminders of their christening gowns – the white garment they received on the day of Baptism.

Again, congratulations to our First Communicants and their parents!

**DSA 2018** The Diocesan Services Appeal (DSA) provides funds for almost 100 different services and programs across the 10 county area of the Diocese of Lansing. Through these services we affect the lives of thousands of people.

Two years ago, we participated in the *Witness to Hope Campaign* to fund several endowments intended to support the future of several different ministries; DSA funds the day-to-day operation of these ministries.

I hope you will join me in making a gift or a pledge to DSA 2018!

**THE BELL TOWER PLAZA** Last fall our contractor began the work on the plaza; the ground was sloped, drainage was improved and the base stone was laid. Throughout the winter all this settled, and we were able to make sure any water flowing down from the roof would easily drain away.

This spring, in a matter of a couple of weeks, most of the time in near-winter conditions, the plaza was completed and the landscaping was planted.

Thanks to all those who donated to the *Witness to Hope Campaign*. With their donations we were able to fund the plaza project (\$100,000), which is almost complete.

There are two more things that remain. The first is to stain the concrete pillar, add a bronze collar around the top and the placement of an antique French cemetery cross. We also want to replace the door to the bell tower. The new door will have a large window with colored and clear glass. It will make the entrance more like a chapel door and give folks the possibility of seeing the interior.

Many thanks to Dorothy Koprowicz for all her work on the project – from conception to completion! Hopefully, weather permitting, we can have Liturgy on the plaza on Memorial Day!

*Fr. Dave Howell*



## STORIES OF THE PARISH

## My Special Memory-Cheryl Wayne

Once upon a time there was no St. Mary Magdalen Parish.... In 1978, nestled in the township of Brighton, Michigan, there was a home situated on 20 acres for sale for \$189,000. At that time, my husband and I were looking for a "forever house" and wanted to move to the country from Rosedale Park in Detroit. We were looking for more land to accommodate our 18 dogs(!!!), with privacy from our neighbors. While looking at several different properties which would fit our requirements, our realtor came upon this 20 acre property that I fell in love with ..It had the most "beautiful, big, red barn"; with a large house including a finished basement. *My heart melts at the sight of barns!*

I'll never forget how big that red barn was. But, sadly for us, and WONDERFUL for St. Mary Magdalen, the cost of the "forever house" was too high for our budget! We did find a house on 7 acres two miles away, on Hyne Road, where I still reside. Not being "rich" enough to buy this property helped to provide the opportunity for the building of St. Mary Magdalen which is "rich" in Faith, Hope, and Love.

**Share your story** of how the parish has been important to you and your family. Email to our story editor: [maskip25@gmail.com](mailto:maskip25@gmail.com). We will share them with the community throughout 2018!

HANDMADE RELIGIOUS ARTICLES  
AND SOUVENIRS  
FOR SALE

**Wednesday, May 9**

The Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent from Belarus, Russia, will be here at St. Mary Magdalen, **Wednesday, May 9, 5 – 8 pm.**

They will be selling many beautiful handmade articles – icons, crosses, woodcarvings, embroidered and ceramic gifts and vestments. All these goods are made with love and prayer and bring a blessing to home.

For more than 15 years, the sisters have been rendering spiritual, social and financial support to the sick and suffering at the National Psychiatric Clinic, the boarding home for children with special needs and mentally challenged adults, and a TB Clinic. Recently they also established a rehabilitation center for the homeless, drug and alcohol addicts, and ex-prisoners, where many get a chance to start a new life with God.

Your purchase will support many of these people in need.



## THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

**May 7, Monday**

Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a

9:00 am +Keith Dunn &amp; Jan Jandasek

**May 8, Tuesday**

Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

9:00 am Communion Service

**May 9, Wednesday**

Acts 17:15,22-18:1/Jn 16:12-15

7:00 pm +Catherine Murray

**May 10, Thursday**

Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20

9:00 am +Barbara Dailey

**May 11, Friday**

Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

9:00 am +Lenny Loniewski

**May 12, Saturday**

Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

**May 13, Sunday, The Ascension of the Lord**

Acts:1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mk 16:15-20

4:30 pm Vigil St. Mary Magdalen Parishioners

9:00 am All Our Mothers (living and deceased)

11:00 am All Our Mothers (living and deceased)

## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

**Acts 1:1-11**

Today's passage takes us back to the beginning verses of the Acts of the Apostles and sets forth the themes that Luke is going to develop throughout this, the longest book of the New Testament. His major theme is the role of the Holy Spirit, who enables the apostles to be effective witnesses to Jesus. The Holy Spirit is mentioned 57 times in the Acts of the Apostles.

**Ephesians 4:1-13**

This passage from Ephesians was chosen because of its reference to Jesus' ascent to heaven, which is contrasted with his descent to the dead. Early Christians believed that those who died before the coming of Jesus awaited redemption in a shadowy existence described here as the lower regions of the earth. It is our Christian tradition that immediately after his death, Jesus went to these people to announce that they had been saved.

**Mark 16:15-20**

Today's Gospel is taken from the longer ending of Mark as the original ending was at the empty tomb. Early Christian history bears witness to the ancient teaching that Jesus ascended to God's right hand after his resurrection where He continues his role as priest, prophet and king. That is the meaning of the words "took His seat at the right hand of God."

**Reflect:** What would you like to say to Christ for offering us the sacrifice of His life?



*11 April Kretchmar & Maxwell Malone*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Sue Beaumont	Jean Mayer
Jimmy Blicharz	Tom McSweeney
Steven & Eli Boulanger	Diane Morrison
Taylor Brake	Dennis Nissle
Eugene Buel	Diane Olsem
Larry Buslepp	Peggy Ortiz
Reggie Caprara	Sandy Orłowski
Don Chouinard	Stan Osdras
Linda Coffman	Sam Petrocella
Michael Columbus	Mike Rutkowski, Jr.
Kerry Comb	Ron Sherman
Paul Daughenbaugh	Sharon Shevock
Rita DeRaud	Lisa Shibley
Cienna Ditri	Pat Siegel
Sue Douglas	Matt Siragusa
Sean English	David Sullivan
James Farhat	Marylyn Trader
Caitlin Forhan	Michelle Turner
Carol Gallagher	Bill Wertz
David Grinnell	Jennifer Yanick
Reace Gudith	Tom Zremski
Kathy Hain	Annabelle
Michael Harrah	David
Ralph Hazen	Kathy
Barb Hemmi	Kelly & Dennis
Kathleen Konley	Krissy
Ian Lang	Mark
Herb Langer	Matt
Alan Laginess	Paul
Robert Laginess	Stella
Kelly Luck	Theresa
Gwen Maes	



**Please remember in  
your prayers:**

John Yanok and family in the death of his mother, Margaret Yanok.  
Nancy Burelle and family in the death of her great-great nephew, Michael Baldwin.  
Michael Meyer and family in the death of his wife, Margaret.

## RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

Roxanne Hundsrucker



**Journey with Jesus (JWJ) Vacation Bible School** We will begin registration this week for Journey with Jesus. All families with children ages 4–high school should have received the registration via e-mail, for both participants and volunteers. We will have additional registration forms in the gathering area of the church. We are still in need of many adult hands to help during the week of JWJ. Please register as soon as you get the e-mail if you are able to volunteer during this awesome week.

**Religious Formation Registration 2018/2019**

If you have not registered your children in grades 1-10 for Fall 2018 Religious Formation, please do so right away. You can register in the parish office Monday—Thursday, 9 am—8 pm and Friday 9 am—4 pm. Our class sessions will be Wednesdays 4:30–6 pm and 6:30—8 pm and Thursday 5:30–7 pm. Family program is already at capacity.

Children currently in kindergarten will need to begin Religious Formation in the first grade to be on track to receive the sacrament of First Eucharist (First Holy Communion) in the spring of their second grade school year.

It is important for parishes to host early registrations, as our publishers offer great incentives to those who purchase materials early. We encourage all families to register as soon as possible.

**Virtus Training**

All staff and volunteers are required by the diocese to complete a background check. We will be updating ours this year, as we do every 2-3 years. We are also required to read and sign a Code of Conduct as staff and volunteers. The third component required by the diocese for Safe Environment is that all adults who work with or volunteer with children attend a Virtus “Protecting God’s Children” workshop.

Deacon Gary is a trained Virtus leader and will be hosting a workshop here at St. MM on Thursday, May 10 at 6:30pm in the Community Room. Child care will be available.

If you are able to attend this free training, you must register online at <http://www.virtus.org>. This training is great for volunteers and parents of children. It is a training that helps make us aware and prepares us to keep a safe environment for children.

## YOUTH NEWS

Margaret Callaghan

**Thank you** to all the adults who gave their time these past 11 Sunday evenings to be with us for the Youth Alpha series. The program was possible and a success because of you. Thank you for helping to guide our youth to grow in relationship with God.

**Our first Youth Group meeting** back is this Sunday evening, May 6. All high school youth are invited to join us for an evening of good ole’ fashion fun in the youth room, 7-9 pm.

**Mark your calendar** for these upcoming YG events:

- ◆ May 6 YG meeting 7-9 pm
- ◆ May 13 Mother’s Day, no YG
- ◆ May 20 YG car wash 8 am-1 pm, YG 7-9 pm
- ◆ May 27 Memorial Day weekend, No YG
- ◆ June 3 Graduation 9 am liturgy and reception, YG 7-9 pm
- ◆ June 10 YG 5-8 pm End of year celebration offsite
- ◆ Wednesday, June 27, Cedar Point



Contact Margaret Callaghan at [yminister1@gmail.com](mailto:yminister1@gmail.com) to register and sign up for the car wash and/or Cedar Point. **Money for CP (\$70) is due on or before June 10.**

Also, if you are interested in **volunteer opportunities**, put the following on your calendar and email me to get on the list.

- ◆ Sat., May 19, 9:30 am-1:30 pm - Prep and serve lunch in Flint at the Center for Hope
- ◆ Sat., June 30, 9:30 am-1:30 pm - Prep and serve lunch in Flint at the Center for Hope

If you have ever been a part of the middle school MUD or EDGE program, or the high school Youth Group here, or are currently involved, consider sharing a memory. We are not looking for paragraph after paragraph, just a simple memory. You can email it to [yminister1@gmail.com](mailto:yminister1@gmail.com).

**Class of 2018 graduates, be sure to sign up for the 9 am graduation liturgy in your honor on Sunday June 3.** Come wearing your cap and gown! There is a light reception for everyone to celebrate this milestone with you, immediately following in the community room.

## OF FAITH AND SERVICE

Sr. Joyce Hoile, OSF

**Prayer for the Return of Non-Practicing Catholics**

O Good Shepherd, you never cease to seek out the lost,  
 to call home the stray, to comfort the frightened,  
 and to bind up the wounded.  
 I ask you to bring (mention names) back to the practice of the Faith,  
 and to remove all obstacles that prevent them from receiving your abundant mercy,  
 which flows sacramentally through the heart of your holy Church.  
 Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God, their Guardian Angels, their Patron Saints and the ever-prayerful St. Monica, may you pardon their sins and unshackle them from whatever hinders their freedom to come Home.  
 For you, O Good Shepherd, loved us to the end and offered yourself to the Father for the salvation of all. Amen.  
 Jesus we trust in you!

**Art of Aging Conference**

A Conference created for Seniors by Seniors to celebrate creative aging  
 Sponsored by The Institute of Gerontology of Wayne State University  
 Thursday, May 17, 8:30 am – 2 pm  
 Held at Fellowship Chapel  
 7707 West Outer Drive  
 Detroit, Michigan  
 Cost \$20, that includes light breakfast and hot lunch and 2 workshops.  
 Information and Registration Forms can be obtained from Sr. Joyce OR at the Gathering Space Bulletin Board OR by contacting Donna at 313-664-2605 or [ba8841@wayne.edu](mailto:ba8841@wayne.edu).

Sister Joyce

**REDISCOVER JESUS**

by  
**Matthew Kelly**  
**6 Week Book Study and Group Discussion**

Mondays, immediately following 9 am Mass until 11 am  
 May 14, 21, June 4, 11, 18 and 25  
 Childcare available 9 – 11 am  
 Books are available free of charge. If you need a copy, stop by the office to pick one up.

## CHARITY &amp; JUSTICE

**Mother's Day Carnation Sale**

Give your mom a fresh flower this Mothers' Day. Members of Charity & Justice will have a table set up in the gathering space the weekend of May 12/13 with carnations for sale. Proceeds will go to support the local Right to Life efforts.

**St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive**

**"I was naked and you clothed me" - Matthew 25:36**

Please bring your bags of gently used clothing and linens to our pods in the back of the parking lot on weekend of May 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>. We will hand out bags as a reminder after the Masses the weekend of May 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Magdalen's Kitchen Sign-Up**

Names of those interested in serving at Magdalen's Kitchen for the Mondays of the second half of May and all of June are being accepted. Assistant cooks, set-up/server/clean-up, dish washing, desserts, and sub positions are needed. Sign-up sheets are organized by date and are on the Charity & Justice table in the Gathering Space. Reminder slips are available to remind you of your commitment. **Please list the email address or phone number you can be contacted at.** A reminder will be sent to you prior to the date you are volunteering. Volunteers must be middle school age or older to fill a server or dish washer position and 18 or older to fill an assistant cook position.

**Panera Bread Pick Up**

Names of those interested in picking up bread for Magdalen's Kitchen at Panera Bread (in Brighton at 8365 Grand River) on Saturday evenings (at 9:30 pm) for the second half of May and all of June are being accepted. The sign-up sheet is on the Charity & Justice table in the Gathering Space. A reminder will be sent to you prior to the date you are to volunteer.

**WATER FOR FLINT**

Sr. Judy Blake at the NEW Life Center in Flint has requested our help in providing bottled water to some of their clients. As you may have seen in the news recently, the Flint municipal water supply has tested within the safe limits for drinking for some time. The State of Michigan has decided to end their program of providing bottled water to the city residents. Some of the clients of the NEW Life Center, particularly the most vulnerable, the oldest and parents of the youngest, are still concerned about using water from their taps. We ask for your help by donating cases of water during the next two weekends (May 5/6 and May 12/13). Please bring your bottled water donations to the church and volunteers will arrange to transfer them to the center in Flint.



**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

WEEK OF 4/29/2018

Approximately 1365 people participated  
 Env/Cash \$ 13,425  
 EFT/Online \$ 3,800  
**TOTAL \$ 17,225**  
 Children's Collection \$ 56.29

*The earth and everything in it, the world and its inhabitants,  
 belong to the Lord. – Psalm 24:1*

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Monday, May 7**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:45 am Yoga  
 6:00 pm Magdalen's Kitchen  
 7:00 pm Mystagogia  
 7:00 pm 25th Anniversary Meeting  
 7:30 pm K of C Business Meeting

**Tuesday, May 8**

9:00 am Preschool  
 1:00 pm MOW Card Making  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts  
 7:00 pm Charity & Justice  
 7:00 pm Catholic Biblical School of Michigan

**Wednesday, May 9**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:15 am MOMS  
 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 1:00 pm Community Life  
 5:00 pm Sisters of St. Elisabeth Homemade Religious Articles & Souvenirs  
 7:30 pm Finance Council  
 7:30 pm Marriage Ministry

**Thursday, May 10**

9:00 am Preschool  
 6:30 pm Virtus Training  
 7:00 pm Wellness  
 7:30 pm Music Ministry

**Friday, May 11**

9:00 am Preschool  
 9:45 am Yoga  
 10:00 pm Sew Much Fun  
 1:00 pm Pain Sake

**Saturday, May 12**

7:30 am Men's Breakfast

**Sunday, May 13 Mother's Day**

10:00 am 8th Grade Parent Meeting

**Right to Life Carnation Sale & St. Vincent DePaul Bag Distribution after all masses May 12 & 13**

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**CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS**

Thursday, May 10 & Friday, May 11 2-8:30 pm  
 Saturday, May 12 10:30 am-4:00 pm



**Thank you** to everyone who has made a gift or pledge commitment to our Diocesan Services Appeal.

If you have not yet made a gift or a pledge, I invite you to do so today. Gift envelopes are available in church or the parish office. Or you may submit your gift online at [www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa](http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/dsa). Your DSA gift will support the vital services and ministries that help bring the love of Christ to all we encounter.

**WELLNESS QUOTE**

"What drains your spirit drains your body. What fuels your spirit fuels your body."

- Caroline Myss



**Save the Date!**  
**The Annual Saint Mary Magdalen Golf Classic**  
**Saturday, June 9**

Mystic Creek Golf Club – Milford, MI  
 8:30 AM Shotgun Start  
 All Are Welcome!

\$90 – Includes 18 Hole Scramble with Cart, Continental Breakfast, Lunch at the turn & Awards Banquet Dinner

Proceeds Benefit Knights of Columbus Charities

**Sponsorship Opportunities Still Available!**

Contact Dave Alfanos (586) 212-3504  
[alfanosd@mscdirect.com](mailto:alfanosd@mscdirect.com)

**Calling All Couples Married at St. Mary Magdalen!**

In recognition of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the parish, on the weekend of June 9/10, we will honor all couples who were married at St. Mary Magdalen. If you were married here, we invite you to attend the Saturday 4:30pm or Sunday 11am Liturgy that weekend for a special blessing. Whether you're available to attend or not, we invite you to submit "then and now" pictures from your wedding day and today, so we can incorporate them into a video during the communion meditation. Since many of our couples have moved away over the years, we're also asking family and friends to pass this message on, so we can have as much participation as possible. Please mark the date on your calendar and send us digital copies of your photos to: [marriage@saintmarymagdalen.org](mailto:marriage@saintmarymagdalen.org) so we can honor you that day!



*Mother's Day Pictures*

If you would like to contribute to the video presentation that is shown on Mother's Day Weekend at all of the Masses, please email a picture of your mother, grandmother or any mother in your family to Diane Kubus [liturgist@saintmarymagdalen.org](mailto:liturgist@saintmarymagdalen.org) no later than May 9. Only electronic files will be accepted (jpeg preferred). Please "attach the file to your email".

**ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE**

Mon. May 7	11:00 am	Election Set Up
Tue. May 8	8:00 am	Election Day
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Wed. May 9	10:00 pm	Election Take Down
Thu. May 10	_____	_____
Fri. May 11	_____	_____
Sat. May 12	_____	_____
Sun. May 13	_____	_____

**Card Making Class**

**Tuesday, May 8, at 1 pm**

Class is taught by a professional instructor and the \$5 fee includes all materials. You will make three cards and it is asked that you donate one birthday card to Meals On Wheels. Please consider helping us put a smile on the face of a client by joining this fun class. Call Pam to register at 810-772-8252 so we will have enough materials available.



**MINISTERS OF PRAYER**

Sun. May 6	Kyle Geran, Jerry Dolkowski
Mon. May 7	Mary Bidinger, Cass & Ros Wodarski, Janice Finn
Tues. May 8	Matthew Kroll, Rachel Tuzinsky
Wed. May 9	Pat & Gale Harris
Thur. May 10	Bob & Dawn Gustitus Madelyn Gostomski
Fri. May 11	Jean Glowacki
Sat. May 12	Don & Betty Gehan

